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Halifax Regional Council
September 9, 2008

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Cathie O'Toole, Acting Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: September 4, 2008

SUBJECT: **Award of Tender 08-160 - Remediation of Former CA Beckett School Site Surrounding Properties**

ORIGIN

Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 08-160 - Remediation of Former CA Beckett School Site Surrounding Properties to Hazco Environmental Services for a Total Tender Price of \$619,519 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No.CBU01004 - Former CA Beckett School - Soil Remediation, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The former CA Beckett School property at 23 Fenerty Road, Halifax, and surrounding properties, have been adversely affected by fuel oil which leaked from an underground tank while the property was occupied as a school. Some remediation work was undertaken following the discovery of the leak in 1993; however, the contamination spread to adjacent properties. Per the cost sharing agreement approved by Council on April 3, 2007, 90% of the project costs will be billed to the Halifax Regional School Board.

This tender award will include the removal and replacement of contaminated soil, replacement of affected roadway and utilities, installation of retaining walls, resodding of the area, and planting of trees and shrubs. Jacques Whitford Company Inc. has been retained to provide engineering consulting services and to ensure that all work is to applicable regulations.

DISCUSSION

The Tender was advertised in the Chronicle Herald newspaper on July 30, 2008 and August 2, 2008. A mandatory pre-bid site meeting was held on August 6, 2008 and was attended by 10 contractors. The tender closed on August 26, 2008, and a total of 2 tender submissions were received.

<i>Company</i>	<i>Lump Sum Price (Before Net HST)</i>	<i>Total Cost (Net HST Included)</i>
Hazco Enviromental Services	\$ 598,980.00	\$619,519.03
Dexter Construction Ltd.	\$921,640.00	\$953,243.04

Based on lowest tender price, it is recommended that Tender 08-160 be awarded to Hazco Enviromental Services.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget Summary:	<u>Capital Account No. CBU01004 - Former CA Beckett School - Soil Remediation</u>	
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,084,840
	Less: Tender No. 08-160	\$ 619,519*
	Balance	\$ 465,321

The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

* This project was estimated at \$900,000.

Remaining funds will be used for other project related costs.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

Council may decide not to approve this tender, but this is not recommended by staff.

ATTACHMENTS

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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